



### 2013-2014

## Teaching Artist Roster

Teaching Artists (TAs) are practicing professional artists and/or arts educators with the complimentary skills and knowledge of an educator. TAs teach and integrate their art form, perspectives and skills into a wide range of settings, while effectively engaging and collaborating with diverse learning communities.

Artists interested in participating in the Teaching Artist Roster program must apply to the Mississippi Arts Commission. Applications go through a thorough review process, including an evaluation by a panel of arts presenters, educators and fellow artists. Please refer to the Teaching Artist Guidebook and the Mississippi Arts Commission's website at www.arts.ms.gov for assistance.

#### THESE ARTISTS:

- Provide arts learning opportunities aligned with the Mississippi Department of Education's (MDE) Visual and Performing Arts Frameworks for diverse learning communities.
- Make connections between the arts and MDE's K-12 academic content standards
- Collaborate with classroom teachers, arts education committees or community arts organizations.
- Work with teachers (through professional development) and students (through arts-integrated, hands-on lessons) to address specific academic needs or issues.
- Support efforts to integrate arts learning into other learning communities and/or content areas.
- Assist in continuing arts education programming and building sustainability through sharing strategies, techniques, and curricula.

#### SCHEDULING A TEACHING ARTIST

Organizations or schools that are interested in lessons, workshops, residencies and/or courses offered by teaching artists must contact the individual directly. While MAC staff can provide some advisory assistance to organizations that are planning an event, all agreements between a Teaching Artist and a presenting organization are the responsibility of the presenter.

#### **GRANT SUPPORT FOR PRESENTING TEACHING ARTISTS**

MAC supports the presentation and collaboration of teaching artists through its Minigrant Program. Non-profit organizations (with IRS 501 c 3 status), schools, and other local government entities can apply for funding to support up to half of a teaching artist's fee (up to \$1,000).

In addition to the artists on MAC's Rosters, organizations may also apply for a Minigrant to present an artist who is a member of another directory of professional artists. The program must have an adjudication process in place that reviews the artistic quality of the applicants. Some examples of eligible listings include the roster programs of other state arts agencies, regional arts organizations, or a professional artist organization like the Craftsmen's Guild of Mississippi.

The Minigrant program has two annual application deadlines, June 1 and November 1. Organizations may also apply for MAC Project Grant funding to support Teaching Artist Residencies. Project Grant annual deadline is March 1. The full guidelines and application form for these programs are available on MAC's website.

#### **DEFINITIONS OF TEACHING ARTIST OFFERINGS:**

A WORKSHOP is defined as an instructional experience of at least one hour for various learning communities, i.e. educators and students.

A RESIDENCY is defined as a series of planned instructional experiences for various learning communities that take place over time.

A COURSE is defined as a series of planned professional development experiences for educators that take place sequentially.

#### Dance

Tracie James-Wade Tammy Stanford Emily Tschiffely

#### Theatre/ Storytelling

Dance A Story
Althea Jerome and
Kathryn Lewis
Doris Jones
Annie B. McKee
Sherry Norfolk
Brenda Pritchett
Richelle Putnam
Terrance Roberts
Peter Zapletal

#### Visual Arts & Crafts

Janis Anderson Rick Anderson Pam Beagle-Daresta Bodine Pottery Chuck Galey Tom Harmon Jo Patterson Kay Thomas

#### Music

Jerry Jenkins Elaine Maisel

#### **Creative Writing**

Katrina Byrd Sarah Campbell

# Artists:



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Anderson is a visual artist who has had experience as an art teacher in both private and public schools. Her projects use school-friendly art materials: paper, glue, scissors, paint, airdry and oven baked clays, along with ordinary found ob-

jects, and magazine images to craft both 2D and 3D artworks. She encourages reflections on the artwork to create artist statements, process journals, and stories about the artwork. Composing and critical viewing of artworks communicate important ideas in math, literature, social studies and science.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Finding My Story in Images: Using Symbols and Metaphor to Make Meanina

**Description:** Using the art of collage, writing and reflecting this workshop focuses on the parts to a whole. Everything in a collage and every word or phrase in a written composition work together to create deep meaning. Students will combine seemingly unrelated images to create new meaning using visual and verbal metaphor. Students will appreciate that combining images in a composition can be personal and creative for making new associations about themselves and the world.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 6-8 Students in grades: 6-8 **Instructional time:** flexible

Maximum number of participants: 25



**RICK ANDERSON** 

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Anderson is a nationally acclaimed award-winning artist whose career has spanned more than 40 years. He re-

ceived his BSE and Master of Arts Education dearees from Delta State University. Rick began his teaching career in 1970, while simultaneously working as a professional artist. Over the course of his career in Mississippi public schools, Rick taught art at every level, K-12. He was also an adjunct art instructor at Mississippi College, Copiah-Lincoln Jr. College, and The University of Southern Mississippi. In 2003, Rick's talent found a new profession, illustrating children's books. His passion to paint is endless. Instilling a love of art in Mississippi's school children continues to be a passion for Rick. He shares his love of art and illustrating children's books in schools across Mississippi, and throughout the United States. In 2013, he was invited to visited several American schools in Germany. His presentations are suitable for literacy events, young author fairs, professional development for educators, and children's book festivals.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Art Across the Curriculum

**Description:** This hands-on workshop is designed for class-room teachers to receive professional training in visual arts strategies to enhance learning in reading, math, science, social studies, and language arts. Rick's workshops are aligned with research based national and state curriculum standards and strategies. This is a hands-on "Make and Take" workshop. Participants will create several art projects they can use in their classroom during their own arts-integrated lessons.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-12

Administrators for: Elementary and Secondary Schools

Arts Specialists/ Visual Art Teaching Artists/ Visual Art Instructional time: Negotiable Maximum number of participants: 20

**Title:** Using Caldecott and Newbery Award Winning Books as Springboards for Writing & Drawing Activities **Description:** Participants will bring a favorite Newbery and/or Caldecott book to this session to use as reference to create a "mini" book. Through a creative process of word selection, each book title will be different. Writing the manuscript, based on the title, will require higher order thinking skills. It can be written as poetry, free verse, or prose. Roughly drawn illustrations will include the book cover, and a minimum of three additional sketches. Teachers can use this workshop as a model for their students to write and illustrate their own picture book.

#### **Targeted towards:**

Teachers in grades: 2-12

Administrators for: Elementary, Middle, and High School

Arts Specialists/ Visual Art Teaching Artists/ Visual Art Instructional time: Negotiable

Maximum number of participants: 20

**Title:** Using Picture Books with Reluctant (struggling) Readers to Become Lifelong Readers

**Description:** Referencing a variety of research-based studies, participants will learn how struggling readers can find success through well-written fiction or non-fiction picture books, like Hi-Lo (high- interest, low-readability) books that provide a comfortable, low-pressure approach that are positive for students reading below grade level. Using the information presented as a reference, participants will begin to create one or more books that they can use in their classroom that will help reluctant (struggling) readers begin their journey to become lifelong readers.

In this workshop participants will:

- 1. Define who may be a reluctant reader
- Learn how reading aloud to students helps the reluctant reader
- Learn how parents are reading roll models for reluctant readers
- 4. Learn how to select appropriate books for the reluctant reader
- 5. Learn how Hi-Lo Books are positive for students who read below grade level
- 6. Begin to write and illustrate a book(s) that can help a reluctant reader

#### Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 3-8 Students in grades: 3-8

Administrators for: Elementary and Middle Schools

Arts Specialists/ Visual Art Teaching Artists/ Visual Art Instructional time: Negotiable

Maximum number of participants: 20

**Title:** Arts Integration in the Classroom using iPad Digital Technology

**Description:** This hands-on workshop is designed for classroom teachers to receive professional training using art apps with the iPad, to model visual art strategies and enhance learning in reading, math, science, social studies, and language arts. Participants will learn how to acquire basic visual arts skills to include, but not limited to drawing on the iPad, integrating color, creating good design, layering properties, creating a digital art gallery, saving and printing images.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 3-12

Administrators for: Upper Elementary to High School

Arts Specialists/ Visual Art
Teaching Artists/ Visual Art
Instructional time: Negotiable
Maximum number of participants: 20



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Beagle-Daresta has been a practicing artist/teaching artist since graduating from the Ringling College of Art and Design in 1970. She is an adjudicated teaching artist with the Georgia

Council for the Arts, the Mississippi Art Commission, the South Carolina Art Commission, Young Audiences of Atlanta GA and St. Louis MO, and the High Museum of Art, and the "I See Literacy" program. These affiliations have created teaching experiences that span art communities, art centers, museums, and K-12 schools. She is certified in Discipline-Based Art Education through the Getty Center, Talents Unlimited, training in art therapy and Bernstein's Artful Learning. Her residency and workshop offerings include printmaking, papermaking, book arts, murals and installation sculpture. The programs address core curriculum through the art form, affirming and deepening learning. She created and implemented a core curriculum integrated art curriculum for K - 8th grades at St. Joseph's School, where she was the Artist in Residence for nine years. She is a featured professional development presenter for school systems and arts organizations, creating teaching artist/classroom teacher trainings. She continues to create art that is informed by her life experiences and the paths she encounters as a teaching artist. Her exhibit, Wanderings and Wonderings, features 50 monoprints on handmade paper. She also participated in the Atlanta Printmakers Studio print exchange Ex Libres

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Learning with the Masters

**Description:** Observing works of art through Visual Thinking Strategies starts the entry point to this workshop's inquiry-based learning process. Background stories on the featured works and the artists makers will be shared so teachers acquire a comfort level. Integrated art activities will be demonstrated,

materials/classroom management strategies and art making processes will be demonstrated. The offerings will be discussed in a manner that directs teachers in creating their own lessons and projects.

Targeted towards: K -8th grade teachers, art special-

**Instructional time:** Introductory workshop 1 hour 30

minutes
Focus workshop 3 hours per workshop offering

Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** Curriculum Content, Book Formats that Invest the

Student Maker in Learning

**Description:** The artist will present several formats

made with readily available materials. The formats utilize size, shape, and color to help students organize and understand most curriculum content units while developing fundamental art skills and tool use.

**Targeted towards:** K -8th grade teachers, art specialists.

**Instructional time:** Introductory workshop 1 hour 30 minutes

Focus workshop 3 hours per workshop offering

Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** Observation Drawing: Integrating Language Arts and Science

**Description:** Visual Literacy foundation skills utilize an alphabet and communicate our thoughts and ideas. The artist will compare the alphabets and several other shared fundamentals of literacy while giving approaches to drawing that will give anyone the skills to develop the students, both educationally and developmentally. Providing teachers with multiple ways to deliver learning in varied styles educationally reaches more students and deepens learning. Observation drawing has always been a scientific tool to record the natural world. The process of deconstructing /reconstructing and scientific method resonate in essential foundation drawing skills.

**Targeted towards:** K -8th grade teachers, art specialists.

**Instructional time:** Introductory workshop 1 hour 30 minutes

Focus workshop 3 hours per workshop offering **Maximum number of participants:** 30

**Title:** Papermaking and the Decorative Paper Processes

**Description:** Basic Papermaking is fun, easy and has wonderful connections to the environment, sustainability and re-purposing projects.

Targeted towards: K-8th grade teachers, art specialists

**Instructional time:** Introductory workshop, 1 hour 30 minutes

Focus workshop 3 hours per workshop offering

Maximum number of participants: 30

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Arts Integrated Project Topics Printmaking Papermaking Book Arts Murals

Sculptural Installations

**Description:** These residencies provide in depth art experiences with all students creating their own works, with collaborative works created by students for the hosting institution which may become permanent public works or auctioned as fundraisers for future art programming.

PRINTMAKING: Master works of Giuseppe Arcimboldo's

portraits are entry points for found object printing. Honoring the portraits of Giuseppe, students will identify and classify fruits and vegetables that they will also print with to create their own original portraits. PAPERMAKING: Introductory workshops provide basic sheet forming techniques; all participants make handmade paper. A historical overview of papermaking, scientific connections, and environmental concerns are discussed. Residency papermaking participants learn varied approaches to sheet forming, embossing / embedding techniques, cast paper, and color pulp applications. Creating installation biodegrading paper sculptures feature sculptural forms embedded with seeds that repurpose the project after it biodegrades. BOOK ARTS: Book art formats have been developed for all grade level skills that can connect with any core curriculum content, with students making the paper or creating decorative papers for their individual books. The books may be two or three dimensional, including people books, pyramid books, building books and books that popup, open in multiple directions, have pockets that may hold a smaller book. Tooled metal covers and other hard cover shaped books feature the students' curriculum content in words and images. MURALS: Murals are long-term residency projects. Students create drawings from their curriculum topic research; the artist creates a compilation design from the student drawings, and lays out the mural. The students paint the mural under the facilitating teaching artist. Murals are painted on wood panels with nontoxic acrylic paints. The panels allow students to paint safely without the need to climb on ladders or scaffolds.



BODINE POTTERY
Patrick Bodine

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Patrick Bodine creates new designs in pottery and teaches classes in his Wiggins, Mississippi studio. Classes are also taught

in schools, churches, museums, and art centers. He has done presentations in Mississippi, Alabama, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Florida and Minnesota. Teachers are provided with professional development classes and workshops that are one hour to one week in length. Patrick is considered an "edutainer" who entertains while pointing out the connections between pottery making and other disciplines like history, geography, geology, chemistry, math, language arts, and physics. Programs include pottery making by hand or on the wheel, tile painting and glazing, kiln building and firing, Raku classes, glaze formulation and testing. Also, week-long clay and art camps are available for children and adults of all ability levels.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Pottery Making

**Description:** The lesson begins with a demonstration on a pottery wheel and the history of pottery making. A connection can be made to any culture being covered in the classroom. Students will learn to identify the tools and processes in making pottery while relating their experience to the many cultures known for working with clay. The elements and principles of visual art will be defined and demonstrated along with shapes, and forms relevant to clay. Students will make their own pinch pot.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-12 Students in grades: K-12 Arts Specialists/Visual art

Instructional time: 1 hour – week long residency Maximum number of participants: flexible



#### KATRINA BYRD

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Writers write. Right? "Honey, a person who writes can do anything!!" Byrd is a "Boa Flouncer" and storyteller who intertwines

her life experience with her fiction pieces, presenting them in a mixture of reading, song and dance. She is a writer and playwright. Katrina is a collector of feather boas, hair units and heels, but she is most known for her stories with strong women characters. A graduate of Millsaps College and a Teaching Artist, Katrina uses a unique blend of media art, music and humor in her arts integrated, interactive workshops that incorporate Common Core State Standards and Universal Design for Learning (UDL) Principles. Katrina leads writing workshops for children, and adults. She has presented at the MS Children's Museum, Jackson State University, SPECTRUM Camp, Youth Empowerment Group and other conferences and events. She is available to present at schools, libraries, festivals, churches, community groups, professional development, and special events.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Story Recipe

**Description:** "Story Recipe" is designed to share strategies for teaching students the skills of writing, point of view, story sequencing, and analyzing text as a model for a short, original piece that can be read out loud. "Story Recipe" focuses on the five basic elements of a story, sequencing, point of view, writing and editing. Reading, writing, speaking and listening skills will be used and practiced. "Story Recipe" is best for 2nd – 4th grades and is also great as a professional development workshop for teachers and teaching artists.

**Targeted towards:**Teachers in grades: 2 – 4
Students in grades: 2-4

Teaching Artists/ Writers

Instructional time: 60-135 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** Words That Builds Characters

**Description:** This is an interactive workshop that assists participants in the recognition of adjectives and verbs. Participants will use adjectives and verbs to describe original characters. This workshop addresses the following: reading for literature, craft and structure, speaking and listenina.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-8 Students in grades: 2-8

Instructional time: 60-135 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 20

**Title:** Dramatist-to-Dramatist

**Description:** Centered on the idea of one writer/play-wright sharing with another. This workshop focuses on the basic elements of a story, the difference between having and getting ideas on paper, editing, and page to stage. *Dramatist-to-Dramatist* is an interactive work-shop where participants have the opportunity to use strategies and techniques to create original stories. This workshop offers the following: a PowerPoint presentation with tips helpful to all writers; analysis of ten minutes of a script then view a ten minute performance of that script; hands-on activities to write an original two page play.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 10 – 12 Students in grades: 10-12

Teaching Artists/Writers/Playwright

**Instructional time:** 2 hours

Maximum number of participants: 20



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Campbell creates picture books with facts and photographs and writes about interesting things in nature. Her latest

book, Growing Patterns: Fibonacci Numbers in Nature (Boyds Mills Press, 2010), explains a simple number pattern and explores the ways it shows up in nature. Campbell's first book, Wolfsnail: A Backyard Predator (Boyds Mills Press, 2008), tells the story of a snail that eats other snails and slugs. Kids, teachers, librarians, parents, and grandparents have embraced both books for their simple, compelling texts and stunning up-close photographs. Both are ALSC Notable Children's Books and Wolfsnail is a Theodor Seuss Geisel Honor Book. In addition to creating books, she teaches short-term arts integrated residencies featuring bookmaking and photography in elementary schools, presents professional development for teachers and librarians who want to infuse their lessons with nature, photography, and book-making, and teaches nonfiction writing and photography to other writers.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Writing From Nature

**Description:** Campbell, author and photo-illustrator, shares the story behind the publication of her two award-winning picture books, *Wolfsnail: A Backyard Predator* and *Growing Patterns: Fibonacci Numbers in Nature.* Campbell's multi-media presentation showcases the books' stunning macro photography. Review of *Growing Patterns* by *The Horn Book Magazine:* "With its glossy, clutter-free pages; crisp, colorful photographs; and clear, straight-to-the-point text, this interactive picture book by the creators of Wolfsnail is an attractive, satisfying introduction to the Fibonacci sequence: 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, ..."

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: pre-K through 8 Students in grades: pre-K through 8 Administrators for: pre-K through 8

Instructional time: 75-90 minutes (can be adapted

shorter or longer)

Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Nonfiction Bookmaking: We've Got Curriculum Covered

**Description:** In this professional development workshop, participants will be engaged in an interactive multimedia presentation where Campbell will share research related to the reading and writing connection and content area instruction, particularly in math and science (features Common Core and Next Genera-

tion Science Standards). Campbell will also share examples of high-quality informational trade books and provide insights into the research, writing and publishing processes that accompany such informational text writing. After introducing three options for bookmaking, an "instant" book, an accordion folding book, and a scroll book, and student-created examples of each, Campbell will facilitate small-group sessions in which participants will have the opportunity to actually create their own book via one of the three bookmaking methods. Participants will leave with a book which could then be used as a model for student work in their classrooms. Finally, participants will come back together to discuss potential pitfalls with and share solutions related to integrating writing in math and science instruction, including, but not limited to: topic selection, writing, bookmaking, and illustration. Session participants will receive practical handouts with instructions for creating all three types of books and a list of high quality informational texts for use in math and science instruction.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: pre-K through 8 Teaching Artists

Arts Specialists Other: Parents

Instructional time: 120 minutes (can be adapted

shorter or longer)

Maximum number of participants: 25

#### **OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:**

Collaborative lesson planning and implementation with classroom teachers on:

Nonfiction bookmaking and photography Fibonacci Folding Book Project

Visualizing Math Stories

Digging Deep: School Field Guides



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Galey has drawn all his life. He states, "I had everything I needed growing up in a small farm town in the Mississippi Delta; a pencil, a piece of

paper and a long-winded Baptist preacher." He has illustrated over 70 educational books and 11 children's picture books, one that he authored. When he is not working on books in his studio in Jackson, he is presenting exciting school programs that inspire and astonish students. His programs encourage them to be creative in their reading, writing and art. He believes that by looking at problem solving and organizing the creative process, solutions will reveal themselves in unique ways.

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

Title: Developing a Graphic Novel: Combining Lan-

and Visual Arts

**Description:** Grounded in Common Core Standards, this residency encourages students to work with their imagination to create characters, plot and stories and illustrate them in a graphic novel format.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 5-12 Students in grades: 5-12

**Instructional time:** 3-5 classroom days, 1 hr. sessions,

maximum four sessions per day

Maximum number of participants per session: 20

#### OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:

Galey is available for school assemblies, PTO Family Night presentations, and one day school visits. Several programs are listed on his website;

www.chuckgaley.com. Listed below are a few of the program titles with a brief description:

Animal Parts - this presentation, appropriate for grades K-3, takes the beginning reader and inspires them to look at books and illustration in a whole new way.

The Illustrator As Storyteller- this program is appropriate for grades 4-12 and emphasizes the creative process using visual aids such as original thumbnail sketches which follow the manuscript, pencil sketches and finished art. Students begin to see how a book is created from text to the published book.



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Harmon has been a teaching artist since 2001, bringing art into the classroom of numerous public and private schools

across Mississippi. He has taught Universal Design for Learning and Differentiated Instruction workshops in Washington D.C. as well as New York and Mississippi. As a teaching artist, he can assist school administrators and teachers in developing curriculum that integrates the arts into classroom practices. He has also been a presenter for the Mississippi Arts Commission and the Whole Schools Initiative. The medium of hand papermaking is the primary art form he uses in the classroom. He says, "papermaking is an art form that can integrate with all subjects, from mathematics to language arts, as well as being an art form in which all students can excel." Through his training with VSA (a national and state organization supporting the arts for those with disabilities) he works with special education

classrooms as well as classrooms which are inclusive. He is also a practicing visual artist working in watercolor and oil painting and is a signature member of the Mississippi Watercolor Society.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Introduction to Universal Design for Learning

(UDL) Strategies

**Description:** This professional development workshop is designed to provide administrators and teachers the knowledge and skills to develop a curriculum that gives all individuals equal opportunities to learn. This hands-on training provides a blueprint for creating instructional goals, methods, materials, and assessments that work for everyone--not a single, one-size-fits-all solution, but rather flexible approaches that can be customized and adjusted for individual needs. Use of UDL principles is necessary because students bring a great variety of skills, needs, and interests to learning. Neuroscience reveals that these differences are as varied and unique as our DNA or fingerprints.

Targeted fowards:

Teachers in all grades Administrators for: K-12

Arts Specialists Teaching Artists

**Instructional time:** 6 hours or two, 3-hour sessions.

Maximum number of participants: 60

Title: Planning for All Learners (PAL) Workshop

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**Description:** The Planning for All Learners (PAL) process builds upon two prerequisites:

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1. A basic understanding of Universal Design for Learning

2. Commitment of participating educators to make the curriculum and learning accessible for all learners. The Planning for All Learners workshop is the follow-on training to assist teachers in implementing UDL principals into their curriculum. The PAL process begins with the formation of PAL teams, comprised of general education and special education teachers and other appropriate educational specialists at single grade level. (i.e. 1st grade PAL team, 2d grade Pal team, 3d grade PAL team, 4th grade PAL, etc.) The teams attend the PAL workshop to establish goals and procedures. The teams then meets regularly during the school year to focus on the foundation of instruction the curriculum. Identification of a strong team facilitator, responsible for scheduling meetings and agendas, providing and/or facilitating "just in time" support, and actively promoting a growing PAL initiative, is essential to the success of the PAL team. The work of the PAL team must always be aligned with local district and school initiatives, and is guided by state standards. The PAL process includes four steps, based upon the principles and concepts of UDL, proven professional development strategies, and effective teaching practices.

#### Targeted towards:

General Education and Special Education Teachers in all grades

Arts Specialists Administrators

**Instructional time:** 4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 40

**Title:** Hand Papermaking

**Description:** This workshop is designed to integrate arts into the classroom curriculum. The course consists of a discussion of papermaking and recycling and, learning and practicing the skills of following directions, teamwork, problem solving, and experimentation.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 1-12 Students I grades: 1-12

**Instructional time:** three, 50-minute sessions **Maximum number of participants:** 25

NOTE: All equipment and supplies will be furnished. The follow-up workshop is "Japanese Stab Binding Bookmaking.

Title: Japanese Stab Binding Bookmaking

**Description:** The prerequisite for this course is "Hand Papermaking." This is an arts-integrated workshop with links to language arts, history, mathematics, social studies, and art. The course builds on skills learned in the papermaking course and uses paper previously made by participants. The students will learn how to plan, design, and construct a handmade book using ancient techniques.

#### Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 1-12 Students in grades: 1-12

**Instructional time:** two, 50-minute sessions **Maximum number of participants:** 25

NOTE: All equipment and supplies will be furnished.

Title: Papercraft: Making and Designing Cards and En-

velopes Descript

**Description:** This is an arts integrated course with links to language arts, history, mathematics, social studies, and art. The course builds on skills learned in the papermaking course and uses the paper made previously. The students will learn how to plan, design, and construct a handmade greeting card and envelope using visual art standards.

Targeted towards:

Teachers for grades: 1-12 Students in grades: 1-12 **Instructional time:** 50 minutes

Maximum number of participants: 25

NOTE: All equipment and supplies will be furnished.

**Title:** Introduction to Watercolor Painting Techniques **Description:** This is an arts-integrated course with links to history, mathematics, and art. This course introduces the art medium of watercolor to students and discusses the types of paper, the types of pigments, and

the selection of brushes. The students will learn the techniques of watercolor and the elements of art by hands-on exercises and experimentation. The course will culminate with the students utilizing their new skills to complete a watercolor painting.

Targeted towards:

Teachers for grades: 3-12 Students in grades: 3-12

**Instructional time:** five, 50 minute sessions **Maximum number of participants:** 25

NOTE: All equipment and supplies will be furnished.

Title: Basic Block Printing

**Description:** This is an arts integrated course with links to language arts, history, mathematics, social studies, and art. The students will learn how to plan, design, and construct a block print using simple tools and equipment and then print their designs on various items such as paper and cloth.

Targeted towards:

Teachers for grades: 3-12 Students in grades: 3-12 **Instructional time:** 3 hours

Maximum number of participants: 25

NOTE: All equipment and supplies will be furnished.



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Jenkins is a performance artist of West African djembe drum ensemble, which involves the use of the traditional instruments, rhythms, and stories of

the Malinke people of West Africa. As a teaching artist, drumming and musical rhythms are used to teach literacy skills, poetry, and creative writing to students. Jenkins facilitates classroom curriculum learning and teacher workshops that incorporate music, storytelling, visual arts and character education to connect with common core standards and best practices in the classroom environment.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Curriculum Learning through Music

Description: Arts integration across the curriculum uses

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music as a catalyst for learning. He uses rhythms and stories of West Africa to encourage self-awareness, citizenship and character development, while students make math and social studies connection through African drumming. He facilitates poetry writing/reciting/rhythmic workshops as a form of expression and as a way to evoke storytelling, stimulate communication, engage students and enhance the learning experi-

ence with a focus on students as individual learners. **Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-12

Administrators for: Lower and Upper Elementary

Schools

Arts Specialists/Musicians Instructional time: 2-4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 30 approx.

#### OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:

Character Education using the 15 Laws of Success to encourage good citizenship and self-motivation through: Definite purpose/aim; self-confidence, habit of saving, initiative/leadership, imagination, enthusiasm, self-control, the habit of doing more than paid for, developing a pleasing personality, accurate thought, concentration, cooperation, failure, tolerance, the golden rule.

**Drumming Classes** that include an ensemble of drumming exercises for all ages, including preschoolers and senior citizens.

**Community Programming** for afterschool programs and school partnership programs, and community centers.

**Performing arts workshops** for engaging and entertaining performances, community performances, and creating original productions using spoken word, music and movement.

#### **Targeted towards:**

Teachers in grades K-8
Teaching Artist/ Music
Other: SPED Teachers
Instructional time: 1-2 hours

Maximum number of participants: flexible



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Their 25 years of practice includes demonstration lessons in

arts integration for teachers, work in the arts disciplines of music and theatre, and topic-specific workshops and residencies. Recent work includes classroom demonstration lessons focusing on the integration of science and the arts through a book called, *The Watershed and Me, A – Z.* Other work focuses on utilizing arts strategies to connect the arts and Common Core State Standards. In the coming year, they will introduce new work that promotes literacy by integrating music, theatre and poetry. This project will emphasize arts learning drawn from the newly published Core Arts

Standards and from the Common Core State Standards in Language Arts.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** The Watershed and Me, A – Z

**Description:** The stages of the water cycle will be reviewed while learning about Mississippi's watersheds. The goal of the lesson is to increase appreciation for the plants, birds, insects and animals that are found in the watersheds of Mississippi, and reinforce the importance of conserving our valuable water resources. Common Core Standards in language arts and Mississippi Framework competencies in science and the visual and performing arts are incorporated into the lesson. Schools that host one of the teaching artists will receive a classroom set of books for their students. **Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades 3 - 5 Students in grades: 4 - 8

Administrators for: upper elementary or middle school

Arts Specialists/Music and Theater

**Instructional time:** 1 hour

Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** Great Migration / Harlem Renaissance **Description:** America's Great Migration, 1916 – 1939, and the Harlem Renaissance (1930 – 1939) helped shaped the country we know today. In this classroom workshop, students will read letters from individuals who wanted to move away from their homes in the south, learn the vernacular of the day, view photo images and artworks, and hear the early jazz and popular music of the era. These historic periods brought great new opportunities to African Americans, as well as challenges.. Students will be guided to analyze ways that migration affects our lives today.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 4 - 8 Students in grades: 4 - 8

Administrators for: Elementary or Middle School

Arts Specialists/Music and Theater Instructional time: 1 hour (or more) Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** Dream Big... With Your Eyes Wide Open **Description:** Did you know that dreaming with your eyes open can change our world? There are many examples of dreamers who have changed the world. This workshop will focus on the Civil Rights Era and the many known and unknown "dreamers" who helped improve the lives of African Americans from 1954 - 1968. Using arts integration as a learning strategy, standards and competencies in language arts, math, social studies, visual art, music and theatre will be addressed. Participants will be challenged to reflect upon dreamers throughout all time, who have changed the world...including ourselves.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 4 – 8

Students in grades: 4 - 8

Administrators for: elementary or middle school

Arts Specialists/ Music and Theater Instructional time: 1 hour (or more) Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** America Is...

**Description:** Based on the picture book, America Is..., by Louise Borden, this workshop/lesson features rousing patriotic music, and includes the creation of a mural by the group. Participants learn the vocabulary of the *Pledge of Allegiance* in words and sign language. They experience the book text and pictures while listening to music. Toward the end of the lesson, they create an image or a poem that represents what America is to them personally. The subjects of language arts (speaking, listening, writing), music, visual art and social studies are seamlessly integrated into an expression of appreciation for the place we call home.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 1 - 5 Students in Grades: 1 - 5

Administrators for: elementary school Arts Specialists/ Music and Theater Instructional time: 60 – 75 minutes Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** Poetry Friday

**Description:** Using the Poetry Friday Anthology for elementary grades, or the volume for middle school with the same title, the teaching artists will draw attention to connections between arts elements and Common Core State Standards in language arts. Teachers and their students will be challenged to use the elements of theatre and music to create spoken word performances of poems in the anthology. The workshop emphasizes 21st Century Skills of cooperation, collaboration, and working in groups while engaging students in a creative process. A workshop or student experience will culminate in a set of small group performances and a debrief to highlight Core Arts Standards and Common Core Standards in Language Arts that were met through the experience.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 1-4; 5-8 Students in grades: 1-4; 5-8

Administrators for: Elementary or Middle School

Instructional time: 45 – 60 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 30

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

**Residency:** Building Literacy through Music and Theatre Strategies

**Description:** The residency is designed to meet the needs of a particular faculty or group of grade level teachers who want to include the arts in classroom instruction. The program will introduce the elements of music and theatre along with examples of how to use these art forms to complement instruction in other sub-

jects. At the beginning of the residency, the teaching artists will offer demonstration lessons and professional development for teachers. A portion of the residency will be devoted to teachers' development of music and theatre strategies that support their curriculum content. By the end of the residency, the teaching artists will model and demonstrate arts integration strategies. Working with grade level groups, the teaching artists will assist teachers to develop arts integrated experiences for their students.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K - 2; 3 - 8

Administrators for: elementary or middle school

Teaching Artists Arts Specialists

Other: Students used as demonstration group

**Instructional time:** 4 – 6 Meetings; 45 – 60 minutes each

time

Maximum number of participants: 30 per class. Maximum number of classes per day: 3-4



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sissippi. While reading to her young children, she discovered the fun of dramatic expression and later channeled this interest into elementary school visits and a position as a children's librarian. Since the mid '90s, she has traveled around the state as a freelance storyteller, promoting literacy in schools, libraries, and museums. Listed on MAC's Artist and Teaching Artist Rosters for over ten years, she employs a high-energy, interactive style that draws in listeners of all ages. An enthusiastic supporter of arts integration in Mississippi's schools, she has developed lesson plans and artistic residencies that not only resonate with elementary students and teachers, but also address competencies in language arts, social studies, and theater.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Targeting CCSS-ELA via Storytelling

**Description:** The teaching artist will demonstrate exciting ways to use storytelling, mnemonic devices, and movement activities to increase student engagement, improve retention of language arts concepts, and energize the classroom. Expect a lively session as she delves into story elements, visualization and the creative process, use of imagery, and parts of speech.

#### **Targeted towards:**

Teachers in grades: 2-5, exceptional education and

gifted teachers, library specialists Administrators: elementary principals

**Instructional time:** 1-2 hours

Maximum number of participants: 20-25

**Title:** What Characters you Are!

**Description:** Employing a demonstration and discussion format, the teaching artist leads educators as they learn to use storytelling tools to enliven classroom reading time. Making stories come alive positively impacts students' engagement, comprehension, retention... even behavior! Other pay-offs include a heightened interest in reading, writing, and speaking.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: pre-K through 5th grades, exceptional education and gifted teachers, library specialists

Administrators: elementary principals

**Instructional time:** 1-2 hours

Maximum number of participants: 20-25

Title: Visualizing Better (and Easier!) Writing

**Description:** After introducing applicable CCSS-ELA information, the teaching artist leads educators through a visualization experience, and then facilitates a brainstorming session in preparation for writing exercises.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-5, gifted instructors Administrators: elementary principals

**Instructional time:** 1-2 hours

Maximum number of participants: 15-20

#### OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:

"Character Development Times 3!" is an exciting way to merge character education with CCSS-ELA concepts and theater competencies! Expect a lively classroom session as the teaching artist explains story elements, shares a story, then leads the children in a brainstorming session focused on understanding and absorbing important life-lessons. Perfect for students in grades 2-5!

"Presenting Success!" is a classroom coaching session designed to help students make their best impression, whether on stage, at competitive academic functions, or for job interviews. With a light, affirming manner, the teaching artist demonstrates and coaches participants on posture, stage presence, enunciation, voice projection, and introductions: skills that make the difference! The process works best in a comfortable setting with a small group of students.



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New member of the MAC Teaching Artist Roster

Maisel is a bassoonist and contrabassoonist, playing profes-

sionally with orchestras throughout Mississippi. She is the state coordinator for MAC's Carnegie Hall Link Up Program for 3rd-5th graders. She gives presentations, performances and workshops that make interdisciplinary connections to subjects such as math, science and nature through music, movement and art. Building knowledge through interdisciplinary connections and multiple learning styles is necessary for success in the current educational system and shifting global economy. One of the most salient concepts connecting different subjects is the presence of patterns. By discovering patterns in the arts, they can be more easily seen in other content areas. The more we understand patterns in history, human behavior, nature and science, the more quickly and accurately we understand how our world works. Pattern recognition is key to knowledge acquisition and learning in all facets of life. See her "Other Services Available" for project ideas.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: "Building London Bridge"

**Description**: We will explore how musical repetition and contrast create form, structure, and surprise that makes "London Bridge is Falling Down" an enduring piece of music. Malcolm Gladwell's concept of "sticky ideas" reveals the psychology of its popularity. Connections will be made between the history and meaning of the verses with current examples of the failure of engineering, politics, and natural disasters such as Hurricane Katrina. Because London Bridge is an example of architecture, we will examine how visual repetition can be exact, transposed or altered, creating functional, beautiful and meaningful pattern and structure. Strategies used in lesson - Music: sing, analyze, create, perform, and move.; Architectural Illustration: view, analyze, create, and explain; Movement: dance/game gives a kinesthetic component, recalling, sharing. Finding Patterns: Re-emphasize the connecting theme of repetition-pattern-structure in all subject areas.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 1-4
Arts Specialists/ Musicians
Teaching Artists/ Musicians
Instructional time: 1-2 hours

Maximum number of participants: 35

#### OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:

- Coaching, workshops and private lessons on bassoon, recorder, historical Medieval, Renaissance and Baroque instruments.
- Learn how to create an inexpensive musical instrument that students can build in your classroom.
   Through creation of the instruments, you and students will explore mathematical ratios, symmetry, repetition, and the principles of acoustics. Through the playing of the instruments in directed exploration, students will learn to analyze and compose ensemble music that exhibits increasingly complex pattern, repetition, and form.
- T'ach Chi Chih as a teaching strategy for children to improve mental focus, coordination, and self-control. Great for musicians to improve stage presence. Great for older adults to improve balance and overall health.
- Music history and appreciation.
- Carnegie Hall Link Up professional development workshops and consulting



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#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Gems of Local History taught Through the Arts of Storytelling and Drama

**Description:** Teaching local history through dramatization and introducing documented historical facts of students' city, or county, this lesson uses script, tryouts, rehearsals, set building, and costumes to produce a

drama presentation to the school and community highlighting local history. The students learn the value of local history, understand who they are in the community and that they have talents to contribute. Lessons learned are teamwork, the process of script reading, and gaining inspiration through play production. This workshop involves discussion and discovery of the culture, time period, historical significance to the state, and importance to the local community. The goal is to recognize and integrate the history studies through the art form of drama and to understand language as the reflection of a time period and culture. Note: Included with this proposal is a DVD of the February, 2010, production of "Meridian: A City That Would Not Die" presented by Poplar Springs Drive Elementary School in Meridian, MS.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: 3-6 Students in grades: 3-6 **Instructional time:** flexible

Maximum number of participants: flexible

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** College Essay Prep – Writing a Personal Essay and Setting Long Term Goals Using Journaling

**Description:** A professional learning session for students and teachers including creative writing classes, introduction of several writing categories, writing prompts and fun exercises with emphasis on the importance of creativity. A basic journaling class with the goals of clear thinking, informed decisions, confident outlook, self-motivation, and goal setting. The journals encourage daily entries in the form of artwork and poetry. As part of the creative writing lesson, assigned homework tasks are discussed. The culminating event is a public performance titled, I Am a Writer. The students read their creative writing work accomplished during the three-day residency.

Targeted fowards:

Teachers in grades: 3-6 Students in grades: 3-6

**Instructional time:** Three-day residency **Maximum number of participants:** flexible



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#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Exploring the Common Core through Storytelling **Description:** Storytelling is a powerful vehicle for integrating the reading, writing, listening, speaking and research standards of the Common Core Curriculum. Participants will take part in hands-on grade level appropriate lessons that address language arts, social studies and science objectives while engaging students in authentic and thought-provoking research projects. Participants will discover ways to 1) quickly and effectively engage students through storytelling, 2) move them towards deeper understanding in fiction and non-fiction, and 3) provide meaningful and relevant ways for students to demonstrate their knowledge and comprehension. Storytelling levels the playing field: no matter their learning style, students have access to the told story through visual, auditory, and kinesthetic cues. The oral story allows them to process information more quickly and to organize, retrieve and apply it more readily; therefore the story provides an efficient and brain-compatible tool for the teacher to share information and for the student to demonstrate his/her understanding.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: pre-K - 5th grade
Teaching Artists/ Oral Traditions
Instructional time: Negotiable

Maximum number of participants: no max

**Title:** Professionalism: Excellence is not an option! **Description:** What does it mean for a teaching artist to "be professional"? What does excellence look like for a teaching artist and do we achieve it? How does professionalism impact our ability to do our jobs and to get more jobs? Explore these questions and their myriad answers (yes – the answers may be different for everyone!) and determine what you can do to improve your skills, your reputation, AND your income! **Targeted towards:** 

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 1 hr. up to 3 hrs.

Maximum number of participants: 30

Title: Leveling the Playing Field: Storytelling & the Spe-

cial Needs Classroom

**Description:** Storytelling reaches the hard-to-reach, the children with special needs, and ones whose problems can't even be diagnosed this hands-on session, participants will explore storytelling strategies that enable children of all abilities, – even non-verbal children! – to demonstrate their comprehension and retention of story structure and meaning.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-5

Instructional time: flexible; 1-3 hrs. Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** From Sounds & Movement to Words on a Page:

Creative Writing

**Description:** Storytelling is an effective way to help children transition from oral/kinesthetic to written language. In this workshop, teachers will be introduced to the use of time-tested folktale frameworks that get kids writing fluently and applying higher-order thinking skills to create and develop their stories. Participants will also explore kinesthetic and oral activities that help children translate their ideas into clear narratives, and to begin to understand the relationship between the written and spoken word.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-5 Students in grades: 2-5

**Instructional time:** flexible; 2-4 hrs.

Maximum number of participants: Flexible

**Title:** Building Blocks to Literacy Workshop

**Description:** "Once Upon a Time!" is the beginning of adventure, -- and the beginning of learning. When children hear stories, they are learning vocabulary and syntax, beginning, middle and end story-lines, and cause and effect. They are detecting patterns. They're building brain power. In this fast-paced, hands-on workshop, teachers, parents and librarians learn how to create storytelling magic for small children, what to tell, how to tell it, why it'll work, and what to do when all else fails!

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: Pre-K **Instructional time:** 2-4 hrs

Maximum number of participants: 30

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Communication Artistry: Storytelling and Creative Writing **Description:** Storytelling engages students in the transition from gestural language to written language. In this residency, participants progress from hearing to creating, writing, revising, publishing, and telling stories following time-tested folktale patterns.

Targeted Towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-6 Students in grades: 2-6

Instructional time: Five days, maximum 6 sessions per day. Ses-

sions are 45-55 minutes

Maximum number of participants: 30 students per session

Title: Hear It! Tell It! Learn It!

**Description:** Listening, speaking, reading and writing are the cornerstones of literacy, and all four of these elements are addressed in this action-packed residency! Students will hear stories being told and learn to re-tell them in large groups, small groups and individually. Putting their knowledge of the story structure to work, the classes will create new stories, using their phonemic skills to spell sound effects and recognize vocabulary. Small groups will work together to create storyboard versions of a story, each of which will be published. On the final day, students will perform their stories for the class.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-1 Students in grades: K-1

**Instructional time:** Five days, maximum 6 sessions per day. Ses-

sions are 45-55 minutes

Maximum number of participants: 30 students per session

**Title:** Student Storytellers: Communication Artists!

**Description:** As storytellers, students have the opportunity to do it all; read, compose, listen, and speak. They have fun experimenting with voice, facial expressions, emotion, and gestures that make the story "just right" for telling. As they present their story, the art of listening becomes a two way street. By using good eye contact and 'reading' body language, tellers communicate with their audience. In this residency, students will select a story and learn how to tell it. Students will learn the components of effective communication: visualization, summarization, identification of emotions and mood, addition of voice and gestures, question development, and connection to real life.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 3-6 Students in grades: 3-6

**Instructional time:** Five days, maximum 6 sessions per day.

Sessions are 45-55 minutes

Maximum number of participants: 30 students per session

#### COURSES AVAILABLE:

**Title:** The Storytelling Classroom: Applications Across the Curriculum

**Description:** This course is designed to introduce participants to the practical use of storytelling as a powerful teaching strategy from preschool through high school. Participants will explore, learn, and tell a variety of stories specific to their own classrooms and students. Teachers will discover a myriad of ways storytelling can be used to integrate learning in language arts, social studies, science, math, and fine arts, while celebrating diverse cultures, increasing literacy, and developing competency in their classrooms. Emphasis will be on application of what is learned throughout the course to meet curriculum goals, and the goals of the state and/or national standards. Participants will identify ways to help their students develop better oral communication skills, enhance self-esteem, spark their imaginations, and create closer classroom communities while deepening the students' appreciation for story, language, diverse cultures, and themselves. **Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: prek-12 (very flexible)
Instructional time: flexible: 8-32 hours
Maximum number of participants: 30

#### OTHER SERVICES OFFERED:

FAMILY or PARENT WORKSHOP: Instant Storytelling in the Family, Classroom, or Library: a workshop for parents, librarians, storytellers or the whole family! In this fast-paced, hands-on workshop, participants will play a wide variety of story games that are guaranteed to get the stories flowing at home, in the library, in the classroom and in the car! This workshop explores fun and successful ways to help parents and grandparents rediscover storytelling; intriguing strategies for helping children learn to create satisfying stories, laughter-provoking games that require creative thinking and imagination while developing understanding of cause and effect Join the fun and learn how to engage kids in the amazing world of story!

**STORYTELLING PERFORMANCES:** Listening to stories helps children develop vocabulary, increase comprehension skills, understand story structure, recognize cause and effect, and learn to predict outcomes. Sherry's storytelling performances are constructed to engage the whole brain by providing lots of options for participation in a variety of folktales, literary tales, poetry and songs. Children become an active part of the stories as they sing, chant, move, listen, watch and learn! Thematic programs are developed collaboratively with the school to address specific curriculum needs.



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mask making, collage, murals, calligraphy, printmaking, textile and faux finishes. She also teaches classes on art history, portfolio preparation, making a living as an artist and legal matters for artists.

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

Title: "Let's Face It" Masks

**Description:** This flexible presentation can be delivered as a simple mask making workshop or developed into a two week residency. The overarching idea is how we

view ourselves in our culture. Students learn to identify art and sculpture, describe how masks are used in various cultures, compare and contrast mask examples, and create a mask based on prior experiences and knowledge. This arts integrated presentation integrates learning in math, science, social studies, language arts, and visual arts. Available as an art residency professional development workshop grounded in Howard Gardner's Theory of Multiple Intelligences and the Art Inquiry Process.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-12 Students in grades: K-12

**Instructional time:** 1-2 week residency is preferred

Maximum number of participants: flexible



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#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Using Children's Literature to Integrate the Arts **Description:** Exposing children to literature leads them to borrow ideas for incorporation into the creative processes used in the arts. Librarians and teachers have the opportunity to develop these avenues using children's picture books while aligning them with the Common Core Standards. This session will explain the benefits of arts integration, describe the art strands, and provide examples of children's books for integrating the arts into your setting. Musical strands: rhythm, matching a melody, playing a rhythm instrument. visual art strands: identifying famous art works, reading art pieces, drawing, painting, sculpture. theater strands: puppets, pantomime, tableau, creative dramatics, reader's theater, storytelling. literary art strands: writing, bookmaking, journaling, dance strands: body movement Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: Preschool - 4th grade

**Instructional time:** 60-90 minutes

Maximum number of participants: flexible

Title: Without Skipping a Beat: Incorporating Music with Story-

telling

**Description:** Music and language are cousins that both have a rhythm. This workshop introduces participants to the value of music with storytelling, demonstrates how to use musical activities with storytelling, and provides practice in creating personal compositions with familiar tunes already known. After completing this workshop, storytellers will be able to provide rich storytelling experiences including the benefits from music for learning, building relationships with audiences by connecting with music, useing music to transition from story to story, and filling extra pockets of time with meaningful musical activities.

**Targeted towards:** 

Arts Specialists/Music educators

Teaching Artists/Music and Oral Traditions

Instructional time: 60-90 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 30

**Title:** The Magical World of Storytelling with Young Children **Description:** This workshop will provide participants with numerous ways for telling and presenting stories to young children. Ideas for extension activities including character building will be offered. Participants will learn tips and techniques to use while storytelling. Introduction to many types of stories will include participation and echo stories, drawing and cutting stories, sign language and puppets with stories, and how to use a storytelling apron.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: preschool - 4th grade

Arts Specialists Teaching Artists

**Instructional time:** 60-90 minutes

Maximum number of participants: flexible

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

Title: "Once Upon a Time"

**Description:** This residency for elementary children will introduce children to fairy tales using puppetry, music and rhythm instruments, dance, and reader's theater. The teaching artist will introduce the elements of theatre and use *Fractured Tales* to promote comprehension and critical thinking.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: Pre-K – 6

**Instructional Time:** 3-5 sessions of 1 hour

Maximum number in session: 25.

Maximum number of classes per day: 3-4



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#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Writing from Personal Experience

**Description:** Writing from personal experience (poetry or prose) shares history, culture, and opinion. Students learn how sharing their experiences can help others overcome similar obstacles, tragedies, addictions, failures, etc., that they or a loved one has experienced. Students make people aware of issues they are passionate about. This workshop not only teaches how to write from personal experience, but instructs on how research markets and contests, and how to write query letters and proposals for publication.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 2-12

Teachina Artists

Instructional time: 60-120 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

Title: Monologue/Playwriting

**Description:** Students review the characteristics of historical/fictional characters in literature/history. They define character traits, point-of-views, historical

perspectives, and explore how to see and understand character through the background, culture, and experiences that create and drive motive and desire. Students research character and the history surrounding character for accurate accounts and unbiased reporting of events. From the point of view of a character, they create monologues to defend decisions, actions, or passivity.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 4-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 120-180 minutes Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Reliving History Through Playwriting

**Description:** Humanity is filled with war, greed, desire, discoveries, family struggles, environmental issues, and emotional conflict, all of which are carried out through its characters. In this workshop, students create scripts from historical characters and events, construct/find stage props and costumes true to that era of history to reinvent that place and time. Students discover histories, culture, environments, and characters through research and learn about history through the eyes of that culture. Through stage performances, students learn self-expression, drama, and social skills. Through set dressing, makeup and costuming, they learn management skills and team building.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 4-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 120-180 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** From the Villain's Point-of-View

**Description:** This workshop teaches how to utilize drama methods to impact and integrate history, character education, team building, and teamwork. Through developing "confrontational" and "defense" monologues, students learn how to engage students in historical dramatic monologues which will help them identify with historical characters, good and bad, from the character's point-of-view and how their actions/reactions might be triggered from environment, culture, circumstance, and home-life and how "motive" plays an integral part of understanding all characters. In this workshop students learn to create scenes from character motivation (what I want), to obstacles (what's in my way), to strategy (what to do to succeed). Study/understand character development through environment, culture, beliefs, experience and circumstance. Through character analysis, discuss/discover motive and cause/effect of character reactions/decisions to environment, culture, beliefs, experience and circumstance. Students create theatre using inspiration from reflection of lives and history and discussion following other students' performances. Students choose a famous, but flawed historical figure

and research that character's contributions (positive/negative) to history. Students then write and perform a monologue with a prop/costume.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades 4-12 (as professional development)

Students in grades: 4-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 120-180 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

Title: Ballads-Writing History through Song

**Description:** Through writing metrical verse, students search for rhymes and synonyms in dictionaries and thesauruses, how to count syllables, and learn the difference between accented and unaccented syllables. They research events and historical people. Through this research, they change story to ballad song. Teachers are able to use this creative outlet to teach historical facts and biological data. Students brainstorm with teams to pick which particular story to use in ballad writing. The required thinking in ballad writing is creative and imaginative and yet also structured.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 4-12 Students in grades: 4-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 120-180 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Story: When Conflict is a Good Thing

**Description:** Students study minor conflicts in short literary works, and learn how to develop mini-conflicts which lead up to the main, climatic conflict of a story. As students list minor conflicts in literary works and develop their own, they understand how small conflicts affect the bigger picture and increase drama not only in story, but in day-to-day life, learning empathy due to circumstances, and developing an expanded comprehension of history, and a broader knowledge of the world.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 4-12 Students in grades: 4-`2

Teaching Artists

**Instructional time:** 120-180 minutes **Maximum number of participants:** 25

**Title:** Journaling

**Description:** Writing is therapeutic. It soothes our souls and eases our anguish; allows us to take anger, hurts, disappointments, losses, mistakes, etc., and place it on paper where it can't hurt us or anyone else. These journaling workshops are for all ages. Many patients and students that are told to journal don't because they don't know where to begin. The picture is too big, the shelf much too full and overwhelming, for example. This workshop teaches to take one thing off the shelf at a time and write about that one thing; much like a "one step at a time," "one day at a time," procedure.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 2-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 60-90 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Creating Memorable Characters

**Description:** Characters are the heart of fiction, the element that draws readers into a story and keeps them in. Character ideals, desires, motives, problems, and emotions become as life-like to readers as stars on the silver screen. This workshop teaches how to create characters readers are not likely to forget. Students take a favorite character, find their characteristics and begin changing them up to create a new character with new goals and motives.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 2-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 60-90 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Poetry into Songs

**Description:** For children, this workshop demonstrates similarities between meter, rhyme, and rhythm in poetry and songs. Fun poems by Jack Prelutsky, Bruce Lansky, Shel Silverstein are put to different genres of music, such as country, folk, rock, blues, etc. This allows children to understand the importance of meter and rhythm in poetry. Songs include: "A Bad Case of the Giggles", "Sorry, Sick, Ickle Me, Pickle Me, Tickle Me, Too", "The Itsy Bitsy Spider", "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star", and others.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-4 Students in grades: K-4

Instructional time: 60 – 90 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

Title: Sonawritina

**Description:** Developed according to age and experience, this workshop teaches the elements of songwriting, ie: verse, chorus, melody, bridge, tone, mood, and genre/category. Students study lyrics to discover story and history through verse and what role verses, choruses, and bridges play in the development. They also record their original song and take home a CD.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 2-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 90-180 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Rewriting Lyrics to a Familiar Tune

**Description:** Students will experience story through listening, reciting and singing (oral) familiar nursery rhyme songs. They will stretch their critical thinking skills through answering questions about the difference in reading and singing the poetry, about the characters and events in the nursery rhyme and about why these events might have happened and why characters reacted the way they did. "The Itsy Bitsy Spider" is the perfect song for students to understand the elements of story, how to maintain a beat by keeping the same syllable count, and how to use the verse as an analogy of complex issues in life.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: 2-12 Students in grades: 2-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 90-120 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Characters-Driving Forces Inside-Out:

**Description:** "Character" is who someone has been, who he or she is now, and who he or she will become. Character is every feature and trait that forms an individual's nature. Character covers a multitude of sins, as well as moral and ethical qualities. Without character, there is only an empty shell. You can pen the greatest story every told, but without vibrant characters, your manuscript will be hollow. In this workshop, students analyze characters in every aspect of theirs lives. EXTER-NAL: influences like home life, life, hometown, school, friends, and enemies. INTERNAL: influences such as morals, spirituality, insecurities, strengths, weaknesses, desires, motives, etc. Students create characters, both protagonists and antagonists, comparing and contrasting their similarities, differences and how they became the protagonist and antagonist. (This works well with From the Villain's Point-of-View

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 5-12 Students in grades 5-12

Teaching Artists

Instructional time: 90-120 minutes
Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Famous Speeches: Persuasion Through Poetic Prose **Description:** Internal rhyme, alliteration, meter, repetition, metaphors, similes, assonance; these are words that can change attitudes, opinions and evoke emotion, bring unity or division. To write persuasively, it not just what you say, but how you say it. This workshop analyzes the poetic prose in a speech and a eulogy and analyzes why using the elements of poetry in narrative accomplishes more than simply offering information.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 4-12 Students in grades: 4-12 Instructional time: 60 -90 minutes Maximum number of participants: 25



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Roberts is a jali/griot or storyteller in the West African Tradition of Jaliyaa. A teaching artist/storvteller in the style of Jaliyaa, Roberts embraces the

teaching power of words and music. Students are fascinated with the culture, stories, and musical instruments of Africa, Roberts' workshops/residencies are filled with teaching moments not just in West African culture but in science, history, and language arts. Terrence Roberts is known as "Da Story Weaver". In the language of the Bamanankan people of West Africa, the ancient title "Da" was one who connected his people to their past and escorted them into their future. Roberts is a master storyteller who draws both children and adults into his web with his animated and interactive style, Roberts is available for teacher workshops and both short and long term residencies.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** The "Common Core" of Storytelling in the Classroom **Description:** This workshop demonstrates how to use storytelling in the classroom to meet Common Core State Standards. Teachers will learn how to effectively develop and present lesson plans that meet state standards using an arts integrated experience.

**Targeted towards:** Teachers in grades: K-12

Students in arades: K-12 **Instructional time:** 1-4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 40

**Title:** Stories From The Heart Of The Baobab Tree

**Description:** This workshop uses the ancient technique of storytelling to inspire, enlighten and encourage students to seek out and learn universal values such as trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship this residency.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in arades: K-12 **Instructional time:** 1-4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 40

**Title:** Storytelling for Parents

**Description:** This workshop teaches parents the ABC's of

storvtelling to their children.

**Targeted towards:** 

Other: Parents with elementary aged children

**Instruction time:** 1 hour

Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Express Your Soul

**Description:** This workshop teaches educators how to use poetry and storytelling with students to help them find their creative voice.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-12 Instructional time: 1-4 hrs.

Maximum number of participants: 40

**Title:** Agoo! Amee! Call and Response

**Description:** This short workshop teaches educators how to use traditional call and response words, phrases and songs to keep students engaged during classroom instruction time.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-12 **Instructional time:** 1 hour

Maximum number of participants: 40

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

#### In The Beginning Was The Story

In this residency, students will learn the elements of storvtelling and use them to tell or retell traditional folktales. The students will also write their own versions of a folktale based on one of the stories learned during the residency.

#### Anansi Stories: From Africa To America

This residency features the many tales of the trickster Anansi the spider. These stories show up in all the places captured Africans were relocated to, including the Caribbean and the Deep South of the United States, These stories feature life lessons; many that point out the consequence of bad behavior. Stories include: Anansi and the Snake (told in Jamaican dialect), Why Anansi Has a Little Waist, Anansi and the Turtle, Fling-amile, Anansi and the Liars Contest, Anansi and the Candlefly etc.

#### **Parables About People**

This residency teaches students how stories can teach life lessons learned through fictional characters. Stories include Three Brothers Who Go Out To Find Death, The Meat of the Tongue, The Gluttonous Rich Man, The Bravest Of All Warriors.

#### Taraeted towards:

Teachers in arades: K-12 Instructional time:

**Number of Sessions:** Minimum of 5; maximum of 4 per

**Time length of Sessions:** 50 minutes Maximum number of participants: flexible



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Stanford is the dance program head and Movement Specialist for Theatre at the Mississippi School of the Arts. She was awarded the "Thad Cochran

Distinguished Arts Educator" in dance from the Mississippi Alliance for Arts Education in 2004. Tammy has designed, taught, and implemented dance for experiences for The Whole Schools Institute, The Grounding Center, Mississippi Parents as Allies for Children's Mental Health, Ask 4 More Arts, Heritage House Arts Consortium, Greenville Arts Council, 21st Century grants, Hattiesburg Arts Council, Hattiesburg, Petal, and Laurel City Schools, Laurel Ballet Guild, Montessori Children's House, University of Southern Mississippi, Mississippi State University, Delta State University and William Carey University. She holds a BFA degree in Dance Performance and Choreography from the University of Southern Mississippi, Mississippi K-12 teacher licensure in Dance and Theatre, University of Southern Mississippi clinical teacher certification and araduate training in Process Pedagogy, the acclaimed teaching methodology by Jacque d'Amboise of New York's National Dance Institute. Her contributions to arts in education include: curriculum and framework development, teacher training and consulting for Mississippi State Department of Education's Visual and Performing Arts Framework, Mississippi Arts Commission, Mississippi Alliance for Arts Education, and the Galef Institute. She's received awards and recognition for her choreography, teaching, and direction of over twenty years of concert stage performances.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Using Dance Elements to Investigate and Unleash the Creative Process in the Classroom

**Description:** Dance elements used for the creative process will be examined and explored to develop a working understanding of how to implement movement in the classroom. Typical concepts addressed include space, time, energy, and shape as it relates to exploring, creating, rehearsing, performing, and evaluating student works of art. Dance concepts can be presented as arts integration, common core, interdisciplinary, and art for art's sake. One, two, or three day residencies can be established that generate original student dance works for formal or informal performances with teacher professional development for training in constructing a classroom environment that encourages the creative process.

#### **Targeted towards:**

Teachers in grades: K-8 Students in grades: K-8

**Instructional time:** Minimum of 45 minutes to 3 hours for each student session and a minimum of 90 minutes to

3 hours for professional development

Maximum number of participants: 20-25 student participants per session and 50 participants for professional development.

**Title:** Creating Classroom Culture, Unity and Community **Description:** Movement strategies and concepts used for studio and classroom protocol will be examined and explored to develop a working understanding of how to implement classroom culture, unity, and community to accomplish a unified class goal.

#### Taraeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 4-8 Students in grades: 4-8

**Instructional time:** minimum of 45 minutes to 3 hours for each student session and a minimum of 90 minutes to 3 hours for professional development

Maximum number of participants: 20-25 student participants per session and 50 participants for professional development.

**Title:** Sustaining Self-Discipline and Freedom in the Classroom **Description:** An individual and/or small aroup approach to teaching movement skills that enhance focus, concentration, centering, orientation, and awareness for students and teachers of students with issues concerning and/or related to ADD, ADHD, emotional, social, and other learning difficulties.

#### Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: Can be individualized for grade levels from K-12.

Students in grades: same **Instructional time:** Flexible

Maximum number of participants: 20-25 student participants per session and 50 participants for professional development.



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Dance-A-Story brings literature from around the world to life and in the process, stimulates learning in the arts and in core academic areas. Dance-A-Story is adept at giving schools both a quality performances and expert arts integration workshops. Gelbard and Jernigan bring to each project excellence in performance coupled with years of teaching students and teachers. They specialize in adapting to the needs of individual

schools. Dr. Gelbard holds the Ph.D. degree in Dance and Related Arts. She is former coordinator of the University of Mississippi dance program, and former director of Body and Soul Dance Company. She has served as a Field Advisor in the Whole Schools Initiative since 1998. She offers classes in dance for non-traditional dancers in Oxford and performs with the Leda Swan Dance Company, Theatre Oxford, and the Oxford Civic Chorus. Dr. Jernigan spearheads both the Double Decker Storyfest in Oxford and the Blueberry Jubilee Storytelling Festival in Oxford. She has served the Oxford community as chair of Theatre Oxford and director of the North Mississippi Storytellers Guild. She was honored in 2004 by the Mississippi Humanities Council for her work with the bilingual project "Luciernagas."

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Integrating Dance, Drama and Storytelling into the Curriculum

**Description:** Melding the arts of dance, drama, storytelling, and music, Dance-A-Story crisscrosses the curriculum, adapting arts integration workshops to the needs of individual schools. Beginning with a short performance of a story DAS relates to the curriculum, then uses the story as a jumping-off point to deepen learning in the language arts, math and science concepts, and to broaden social studies contexts. Participants discover that one needn't be a dancer to benefit from kinesthetic learning, nor an actor to tune into core humanities values inherent in drama. Their goals are for teachers to experience the interconnected learning made possible by the arts, to highlight the higher order thinking skills encouraged by the Common Core, and to build skills in developing lessons which connect the MS Frameworks, the Common Core, and the joy and discipline of learning through the arts.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: Pre-K - IHLs Administrators for grades Pre-K - IHLs

**Instructional time:** 1.5 hours to full day to multi-day

Maximum number of participants: 40

#### OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:

Learning Across the Curriculum Creative Writing

Coachina PE Specialists to Use Dance and Drama Brain-based Learning to Enhance Classroom Management and Student Participation

Performances for any grade level which connect to the curriculum (e.g. the study of Mississippi authors for high school, Native American Culture for social studies)



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Thomas received an MFA in Ceramics from Arizona State University and a BFA degree in Ceramics from Texas A & M -Commerce, Texas, A veteran teaching artist with over 30

years experience in visual arts residencies, Thomas has worked with students and teachers grades Pre-K through 12 as well as teaching on the university level. In addition to her residency activities, Thomas is the designer/presenter for a variety of art workshops and institutes throughout the US. These workshops for teachers emphasize the value of the arts in developing new classroom teaching strategies and higher order thinking skills. Her current work for the ArtsSmart Institute for Learning involves creating in-depth visual arts experiences for students in the classroom, professional development for teachers in arts integration, and arts curriculum design for schools.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

Title: Art and Science

**Description:** This workshop focuses on how teachers can use visual art in science classes. Basic art techniques such as drawing and model making which are traditional to the science class will be covered. These activities use common, everyday objects including paper and manila folders to create insects, plants, planets, habitats, and animals. Compare the scientific method to the method an artist uses to create a work of art. This workshop provides exciting activities and engaged learning.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-12 Students in arades: K-6 **Instructional time:** 3 hours

Maximum number of participants: 30-40

**Title:** Bring Sculpture into Any Classroom

**Description:** Bring out the builder and sculptor in yourself! Get in touch with your inner 3D artist in this indepth sculpting experience using paper, recyclables and other common materials certain to engage all students when you use it in the classroom. Learn how to create dioramas, portrait

busts, and buildings using simple paper construction techniques. Discover the multiple ways you can use sculpture throughout your curriculum.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-12 Arts Specialists/ Visual art **Instructional time:** 3-4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 30-40

Title: Drawing Clinic

**Description:** Get over your fears of drawing once and for all in this exciting workshop that explores a variety of materials and techniques for drawing. Both expressive and realistic drawing methods will be covered. Use drawing in your classroom as a more effective alternative assessment. Learn how to draw animals, portraits, houses, people in action, and interior rooms. You will get all the skills and techniques you need to explain drawing to your students.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-12 **Instructional time**: 4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** The Visual Art/Language Art Connection

**Description:** This is essentially a workshop in acquainting teachers with the formal process of looking at, evaluating, and writing about art using the correct visual art vocabulary. Using a series of art prints as inspiration, teachers will observe and describe both orally and in writing, details and characteristics they see. Teachers will become comfortable with basic visual arts concepts and vocabulary by learning to talk about art using fine arts prints. Teachers will be able to use visual art prints to teach writing and language arts objectives aligned with the Common Core State Standards.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: 2-12 **Instructional time:** 3-4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 30

**Kay's One-Hour Wonders:** Designed to teach a specific visual art skill.

**Titles:** <u>How to Draw a Portrait</u> - Learn the basics of correct proportions of the human face.

<u>Painting Animals</u> - Using tempera paint and a variety of brushes students will learn the basics of creating textures and form as they create a portrait of an animal. <u>Oil Pastel Workshop</u> - Students will create a variety of art works as they experiment with the many ways you can use oil pastels.

<u>Paper Sculpture</u> - A workshop that covers the many fun and interesting ways that paper can be used to create 3-dimensional forms such as houses or animals. <u>Fun With Paper Collage</u> - Children create a variety of art products using the most unusual materials ever: emphasis on recyclables.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-12 Students in grades: K-12

**Instructional time:** 60 minutes or less.

Maximum number of participants: 25 per class, 4 classes

per day

**Title:** Workshop + 2

**Description:** This offering begins with a one-hour teacher workshop during their planning time focusing on one "activity" or art skill. Teachers choose from the ideas above. Next, she goes into two classes and model the activity with children for the teachers.

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Fun With Recyclables

**Description:** Students will create a 2D or 3D piece of art using recyclable materials

- Collage Portraits K-12
- Recycling Robots K-6
- Relief sculptures K-12
- Masks K-12
- Recycling Hats K-4 **Instructional time:** 1-3 days

Maximum number of participants: 25 students per class

**Title:** Art and Architecture

**Description:** Students will design and construct their own structures using paper sculpting techniques, learning architectural terms in the process. This residency is a wonderful connection between math and art and visual art and social studies.

Targeted towards: Grades: 2-12 Instructional time: 2-4 days

Maximum number of participants: 25 students per class

Title: Help! I can't draw!

**Description:** This visual art residency teaches students how to improve their basic drawing abilities so that teachers can use drawings as an alternative assessment of student knowledge.

Choose from:

- Drawing faces
- Drawing figures in action
- Drawing Animals
- Drawing houses
- ◆ How to draw the inside of a room

Targeted towards: Grades: 1-12 Instructional time: 1-3 days

Maximum number of participants: 25 students per class

Title: Watercolor workshop

**Description:** Students will create their own watercolors and learn all of the basic techniques involved in this medium.

Targeted towards: Grades: 2-12 Instructional time: 1-2 days

Maximum number of participants: 25 students per class

#### **COURSES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** ArtsSmart Custom Designed Integrated Art Experience **Description:** Equally effective as professional development for teachers or as a residency, this course begins

with individualized curriculum planning between teachers and teaching artist, by grade level or subject area. Thomas will match a visual art objective with objectives teachers are currently covering and create a customized arts integrated lesson for the teachers. After the planning, Thomas will model the integrated lesson for the teachers in the classroom.

Choose from: art and science, art and math, art and

social studies, art and writing

Targeted towards: Teachers in grades: K-12

**Instructional time:** 1 hour – 1 1/2 hour planning, 1-3 days

on site

Maximum number of participants: 6-8 teachers during

planning; 4 during classroom modeling

#### **OTHER SERVICES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Moving Your School Towards Arts Integration **Description:** Intensive workshops, curricular planning, and classroom modeling individually designed to help the entire schools create or refine a plan for implementing an arts integrated focus on their campus. During strategic planning sessions and workshops with teachers, Visual Artist/Consultant Kay Thomas will focus on presenting the art concepts and skills teachers will need to use art to:

- Assess student learning
- Address multiple learning styles
- Using the arts to introduce a lesson
- Using the arts to re-teach concepts
- Where to insert the arts in the lesson cycle
- Utilizing the correct art discipline and medium
- Questioning strategies and the arts

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades K-12

Administrators: elementary, middle and high school,

curriculum coordinators

Arts Specialists

Instructional time: 5 days +

Maximum number of participants: school faculty



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Tschiffely is a professional dancer and choreographer who has made teaching a central focus of her work. She combines conservatory dance and drama training with modern DIY

creativity, 21st century technology, and sensible health and wellness approaches; promoting dance as a truly participatory art form. She is available for original solo performance as well as workshops, choreographic commissions and teaching residencies in the areas of performance & audition skills, ballet, hip hop, contemporary, jazz, lyrical, make your own dances, performance ensemble, dance it out fitness, business & life of art, professional development for teachers using dance, and dancing in the schools. With an emphasis on engaging the whole person, workshops address physical, mental, and emotional concepts in a creative environment that is tailored to the participants. She travels around the state and welcomes collaborations and new ideas.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Get Yourself Together: Coordination, Locomotion and Balance through Dance

**Description:** This workshop teaches select coordination, locomotion and balance dance exercises, fundamental techniques of healthy stretching and encourages student expressivity and musicality. Students will create their own brief solo of mashed up steps and movements already learned and performed during the class. Using a variety of music, the general scope of cultural awareness will be broadened. Participants will identify and appreciate dance and music in real time in a fun, community atmosphere. Connections are made between students and within the students themselves as emphasis is placed on celebrating the joy and work of dancing together. By focusing on and learning dance, students connect to themselves in a refreshed way, and are empowered to create dance movement and sequence themselves.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K-8 Students in grades: K-8 **Instructional time:** 1 hour

Maximum number of participants: flexible



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Elementary. She has trained in jazz, modern and liturgical dance styles and been a member of the dance teams at Blackburn Middle School and Jim Hill High School. She has choreographed for dance teams, cheer squads, singing groups, and pageant contestants. Most recently, she has done the choreography for the Jackson Area Kappa League Beautillion 2012, Rho Lambda Omega Chapter – Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. 2012 Miss Calendar Girl Cotillion, and the Miss Alcorn State University Coronation 2012. She is a 2011 graduate of Leadership Greater Jackson. She was selected as "A Distinguished Black Woman" by John Hopkins Elementary. She is an active member of the Rho Lambda Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and currently is the coach of the Jackson State University Dazzlers Pom Sauad, Tracie received a BA in Business Administration/Marketing and a MA in Business Administration from Jackson State University.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** The Cycle Dance in the Classroom

**Description:** The lesson will be introduced with a scientific diagram and discuss what processes are being demonstrated in the diagram. Students will be asked to describe what they see in the diagram. The instructor will guide the discussion and begin to introduce the vocabulary related to the cycle being discussed. The meanings of the words will be explained to ensure all students have a clear understanding. Once the students have an understanding of the cycle, then they will explore what they discovered through movement or dance. Students will be divided into groups. Each group will demonstrate a different part of the cycle. The groups will perform their dances for each other. The final step is to combine all the groups to demonstrate the entire cycle.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K-8 Students in grades: K-8

Instructional time: 45 minute – 2 hours Maximum number of participants: 25 **Title:** Bringing Movement into YOUR Classroom

**Description:** This professional development workshop will encourage the elementary classroom teacher to use movement/dance as a part of their classroom instruction. This workshop combines elements of science, math, language arts and dance into an entire lesson. The goal is to facilitate comfort in using the arts.

Targeted towards:

Teachers in grades: K\_8 Administrators for: K-8

Instructional time: 45 minutes – 2 hrs. Maximum number of participants: 25

Title: The Dancing Planets

**Description:** This lesson will be introduced with a scientific diagram of the solar system and a discussion of each planet. Students will be asked to describe what they see in the diagram. The instructor will guide the discussion about the properties of each planet. Students will be encouraged to describe each planet. Once they have an understanding of the solar system, then they will explore the elements of dance. Students will be divided into groups. Each group will develop movements to describe their assigned planet. The groups will perform their dances for each other. The final step will be to combine all the groups to demonstrate how each planet moves in relation to each other.

Targeted towards:

Students in grades: 4-8 **Instructional time:** 1 hour

Maximum number of participants: 25

**Title:** Dancin' in Harlem

**Description:** The lesson will introduce the Harlem Renaissance and what this period of history means today. Students will be asked to describe what they have learned. Guided discussion will introduce and define the vocabulary of the social dances of the period. Once the students have an understanding, they will explore what they discovered through the elements of dance. Students will be divided into groups to demonstrate, rehearse and perform a social dance from this period. The final step will be to combine all the groups to demonstrate the social dances of the Harlem Renaissance.

Targeted towards: Students in grades: 4-8 Instructional time: 1 hour

instructional time.

Maximum number of participants: 25



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Artistic Director for Puppet Arts Theatre, Zapletal graduated with a Master's Degree in Puppetry from the Academy of the Performing Arts in Prague. In

1970 he appeared at the National Festival of PofA and soon afterwards he moved to Jackson, Mississippi, where he joined the local PBS station as a puppeteer in residence. During the next 32 years he created many instructional and special programs with and without puppets. His instructional programs were seen in classrooms across the United States. Zapletal garnered more than 50 national awards, among them five Emmy Awards for Ticktock Minutes, Silver Circle Award from the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences for the 25 years of excellence in television puppetry, The Puppeteers of America Award for high standards and continued excellence in puppetry and Trustees Award for service to PofA. He is recipient of three Artist Fellowship Awards from the Mississippi Arts Commission. In addition to his television work, he also produced many shows that Puppet Arts Theatre tours throughout the Southeast offering magical and exciting theatrical experiences. Puppet Arts Theatre is part of the Mississippi Arts Commission Artist Roster.

#### **WORKSHOPS AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Puppetry for Classroom

**Description:** In this Professional Development Workshop teachers will be introduced to a variety of puppets they can make for use in their classroom activities by themselves and also learn to make simple puppets their students can create under their supervision. Please feel free to request the lesson plan.

**Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: K - 6

Arts Specialists and Theatre/Drama Teachers

**Instructional time:** 2 to 4 hours

Maximum number of participants: 4 (2 hours) 10 (4 hours)

#### **RESIDENCIES AVAILABLE:**

**Title:** Shadow Puppetry - Aesop's Fables

**Description:** Depending on the number of days/hours available, this workshop introduces the students to shadow puppetry using an overhead projector. The residency starts with grade 4, where we provide the puppets and students perform the show, to higher grades, 6th and up, where students can design and make their own puppets needed for the show. The school will keep the puppets, so the performance can be repeated later for the parents, students in lower grades and taken for performances in the community. **Targeted towards:** 

Teachers in grades: 4-9 Students in grades: 4-9 Instructional time: 2-4 days

Maximum number of participants: 20 - 25 students if they can be divided into smaller groups and given two class periods per day for two or three days.